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SUBJECT: STUDY PROGRAM RE DRUG PROBLEM AMONG STUDENTS

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1. WHITE HOUSE SPECIAL ACTION OFFICE FOR DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION (SAODAP) HAS PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT WITH INFORMATION FOR DR. R. J. STURT, UNIVERSITY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA, CONCERNING REQUESTS SENT REFTEL. FURTHER DETAILS, INCLUDING LIST OF APPROPRIATE INSTITUTIONS AND CLINICS WILL FOLLOW SOONEST.

2. UCLA DRUG ABUSE CLINIC WOULD BE WILLING TO ARRANGE FOR DR. STURT TO WORK IN TREATMENT CENTERS AS PART OF TREATMENT TEAM. A VARIETY OF TREATMENT METHODOLOGIES ARE USED BY UCLA.

3. EACH STATE IN THE UNITED STATES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LICENSING OF PHYSICIANS TO PRACTICE IN THAT STATE. EXTREMELY UNLIKELY TEMPORARY LICENSE TO PRACTICE WOULD BE ISSUED IN ANY STATE TO FOREIGN PHYSICIAN. HOWEVER, IT UNCLASSIFIED

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IS UNNECESSARY FOR DR. STURT TO OBTAIN LICENSE IN ORDER

TO PARTICIPATE IN MOST DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS.
EVERY PROGRAM HAS SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN WHO IS ULTIMATELY
RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY MEDICAL DECISIONS, SO PARAPROFESSIONALSS,
INTERNS, RESIDENTS, AND FOREIGN PHYSICIANS CAN BE PART OF

TREATMENT TEAM WITHOUT REQUIRING MEDICAL LICENSES. SUCH
ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR DR. STURT IN ALMOST ANY
PROGRAM.

4. FINANCIAL AID IS NOT LIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE FOR
PHYSICIAN FROM NEW GUINEA FROM FEDERAL DRUG ABUSE PRO-
GRAMS AT THIS TIME. SAODAP PLANS INQUIRE IF PARTICI-
PATING INSTITUTIONS WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT. UCLA HAS
INFORMALLY INDICATED THAT SOME SUPPORT SUCH AS ROOM
AND BOARD MAY BE AVAILABLE. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE
PROVIDED AS PROGRAM IS FORMULATED. KISSINGER

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